

6 September 2023

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## RESPONSE TO AN OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

On 28 August 2023, you contacted the Minister for Pacific Peoples, Hon Barbara Edmonds, requesting under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), information relating to funding received by the Ministry for Pacific Peoples (the Ministry).

On the same day, your request was transferred to us as the information is more closely connected with the Ministry's functions. I have outlined your specific request and my response below.

*Can you please detail for me all funding, by sources and amounts, received by the Pacific Peoples Ministry in the 2023 calendar year that was not allocated through either Budget 2022 or Budget 2023.*

You have asked for funding received by the Ministry in the 2023 calendar year that was not allocated through Budget 2022 or Budget 2023. Note, the Ministry's records this information by financial year (1 July-30 June). Accordingly, I am providing you with the information requested for the 2022/23 and 2023/24 financial years respectively.

The Ministry's draws funding under five appropriations; expenditure under all five appropriations is funded by Crown revenue. For the 2022/23 financial year, the amount of appropriation that was not funded through Budget 2022 or 2023 is \$67.29 million. For the 2023/24 financial year, the amount of appropriation that was not funded through Budget 2022 or 2023 is \$54.48 million.

In line with standard OIA practice, the Ministry proactively publishes some of its responses to OIA requests. As such, this letter may be published on the Ministry for Pacific Peoples' website. Your personal details will be removed, and the Ministry will not publish any information that would identify you or your organisation.

Should you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact the Ministry at: [oia\\_requests@mpp.govt.nz](mailto:oia_requests@mpp.govt.nz).

If you are dissatisfied with this response, you have the right, under section 28(3) of the OIA, to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Mālō 'aupito

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Leatigaga Jason Tualima', written in a cursive style.

Leatigaga Jason Tualima  
**Deputy Secretary,**  
**Corporate Services**